

## ANNEXATION OF CUBA.

### THE ISLANDERS TIRED OF SPANISH MISRULE.

Growing Feeling Favorable to the United States—Alleged Assistance Against Portugal—Amis in Brazil.

HAVANA, Dec. 28.—The excitement caused by Senator Call's resolution in favor of the acquisition of Cuba by the United States has not subsided. Cablegrams from Madrid tend to keep up the anxiety, showing that the prevailing opinion in the mother country is that the United States government, although appearing to be indifferent, is aiming at annexation. The Liberal party in Spain, taking advantage of the situation and is pressing the government to grant Cuba all the liberties and privileges she claims, and thus secure her fidelity and defeat the purposes of the annexationists. In Cuba Call's motion has taken hold not only of the professional annexationists, who are a large number here, but is generally supposed to be the wish of the vast majority of the Cuban people, who profoundly believe that it was presented in the Senate in accordance with some secret resolution passed by the American Congress, which is the bete noir of the loyal Spanish party. The Hidalgo, believing Spain to be still the Spain of the fifteenth century, never ceases to declare that the ever-faithful island is not for sale, that there is not enough treasure in the world to buy her, and that Spain cannot take her; that Spain would spend her last dollar and sacrifice her last soldier to maintain the integrity of her territory. They contemptuously ignore the possibility of Cuba's going over to the United States of her own accord. Yet the party in favor of such action is growing every day. It embraces all the liberal and discontented elements of the population, a powerful nucleus in the old Republican party, which has made many efforts to establish the independence of the island. They now believe that their only hope is in the United States, and claim that Blaine is friendly to the annexation movement.

The plundering and ruinous administration of the men whom the Spanish government sends to Cuba has greatly increased the public discontent and has converted into ardent annexationists a large number of rich Spaniards belonging to the conservative party, who see their fortunes melting away through the steady depreciation of property of all kinds. All these disaffected elements only need to be united under a strong hand to make the annexation sentiment prevail in the country. One of the strongest incentives of patriotic annexationists to a union with their great neighbor is that their island may be free from the grasp of the negroes and the fate of Hayti and San Domingo, to which it is now tending.

## THE NEW REPUBLIC.

Why Dom Pedro's Annuity was Stopped—Brazilian Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Dr. Valente, Brazilian minister, has received a long telegram from the United States government at Rio Janeiro. It recites at length why the new government stopped the annuity of \$450,000 which the ex-emperor, Dom Pedro, receives on the civil list. The cablegram first stated that Dom Pedro declined to take the \$3,000,000 offered him on the ground that the provisional government had no power to give it. Notwithstanding this, the United States government intended to pay the annuity, and would have done so had not President Da Fonseca and his ministers unilaterally annulled the contract. Dom Pedro and his prime minister, Senator Ourepato, looking to the overthrow of the provisional government and a return to Dom Pedro and his adherents to power. When the fact of Dom Pedro's complicity in the plot was clearly established, President Da Fonseca at once issued a decree abolishing the annuity which was to be paid to him. The cablegram closes with the statement that peace reigns and that the new republic is receiving cordial support.

Senator Salvador Montenegro, one of the special envoys to this country, who was seen by a reporter, stated that his advice were identical with those received by Dr. Valente. He, however, had to-day received his mail from Brazil, which included a large batch of leading newspapers up to Dec. 1. They all conceded that the republic was a fact and could not be overthrown. In conclusion, he said: "The editors of these papers are representatives of all the parties in Brazil and are leading men in their parties. They all unite in saying that the republic has come to stay and that it would be madness for any set of men to attempt its overthrow."

A number of State department officials were seen to-day saying that nothing has been received lately from Minister Allen or the consul general at Rio.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—It is rumored that Portugal, Germany, and Italy intend to protest against the nature of the States of Brazil as embodied in the recent decree issued by the provisional government of that country.

## BLAINE AND SALISBURY.

Credited With Forming an Alliance Against Portugal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The Evening Sun asserts that Secretary Blaine has committed the United States government to the support of Great Britain in the Portuguese dispute, and that several confidential communications are threatened. The basis for the Sun's assertion is the belief that the American squadron was ordered to Lisbon ostensibly to represent the United States at the coronation of the Spanish King, but really to make a demonstration of the United States' power. The Sun intimates that this action of Blaine is aimed toward the protection of American interests, particularly those of the widow of Col. McMurdo, an American financier who visited the banks of the Douro river, which is now threatened by Portuguese aggressions. Following this display of authority by the United States to the British, the Sun says that the claim of the heirs of Mr. McMurdo, a deceased American citizen, arising out of the Delagoa bay railroad on the east coast of Africa.

City of Mexico, Dec. 27.—It is stated that the United States and Mexican governments are in communication.

## IN A "GRIP" OF DEATH.

### RUSSIAN INFLUENZA SPREADING RAPIDLY.

Assuming a More Serious Form in European Lands—The Malady Described and Remedies Recommended.

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## TELESCOPED A SLEEPING-CAR.

### Engine on the Pan-Handle Crashes Into the Rear End of a Train.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 28.—The second section of the Cincinnati express on the Pan-handle railroad ran into and telescoped the first section of the train twenty-five miles west of here this morning.

The engine plowed its way through all the cars, throwing the passengers in their berths to the other side. The train was good for nothing but scrap iron. The car was entirely wrecked and the rest of the train was badly shaken up.

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This extensive experience with thousands of patients enables me to cure every curable case. Those afflicted with diseases of the Lungs, Throat, Heart, Liver, Kidneys, Nerves, Brain or suffering from Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Eczema, Ulcers, Itch, Scabies, Cancer, Old Sores, Tumors, etc., any Chronic Affliction, are invited to call and examine my record of CURED, when hope of cure had been abandoned. I have been successful in my examinations, reasonable in my charges, and never encourage without a surety of success.

RAYMOND, Feb. 28, 1889.

DR. F. B. BREWER: I received your letter of Feb. 28, 1889, and I think I am much better than I was a week ago. I commenced to gain strength as soon as I got the chills and fever broken up. I don't have those nervous spells any more. I don't cough and raise as much as I did; what I do raise looks pretty bad but no blood, just clear corruption. I have not vomited up my food for about a week. My vitals begin to taste natural. I have a spleen did appetite.

Mrs. A. F. BREWER.

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JOHN O. SPENCER, WM. BLADON, CITY EDITOR.

LOVE ONLY CAN NOT DIE.

At twilight, once I entered in a room

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Sedgwick was importing Mr. Wilder to look with favor on the loves of Clarence and Miriam.

At the close of autumn Mr. Wilder returned to his cottage home, and his old mother, sound in health and still fairly free, while Miriam, to her grandmother's surprise, brought home a lover, who was soon to be a husband, though she declared, with one of her pretty pouts, that it was not her fault, but all brought about by "mangling for papa."

DO BE A GENTLEMAN.

Rules That All Young Men May Observe

No matter what sterling worth a young man may possess, if he be not versed in the little manners and attentions which distinguish the well-bred man from the boor he will not succeed. Good manners are a passport everywhere, and young men who wish to succeed will pay the utmost attention to them, says the New York World.

Special care should be bestowed on table etiquette, as nothing stamps a man so much as his manner when eating, and nothing is so distressing to a person of refinement as to be obliged to eat at the same table with an ill-bred person. The following hints, if carefully observed and practiced, will enable any young man to mingle with his fellows without giving offense. And take heed, young man, these little things are of more importance to the girls than all your rough, good qualities:

Do not drink with the spoon in your cup. Place it in the saucer. Nothing is more vulgar than this.

Do not drink your soup or coffee audibly. In fact, special care should be observed in eating silently, for nothing is more disgusting than noisy chewing and drinking except eating with the mouth open.

Do not lean your arms on the table. Do not keep your elbows close to your side, and don't flourish them in the air. In raising food to the lips the lower part of the arm only must be used.

Do not be so fast to the way you hold your knife and fork, for nothing will give you a more awkward and inelegant appearance than improper handling of these important articles. The fork should not be held with the whole hand except when cutting. In raising the food to the lips hold the fork at the end of the handle, prongs upward, between the first finger and thumb, the handle resting on the second finger. If you hold it otherwise you are obliged to duck your head and stick out your elbow in order to eat.

Never crawl out of a room before a lady. Open the door, then stand aside and allow her to precede you. In this way you follow out and close the door for her easily. Nothing is more rude and ill-bred than a violation of this rule.

Do take off your hat the instant you come in the house.

Do pay attention to the foregoing rules—and believe that good manners are important.

THE GIRLS IN RED TROUSERS.

A School That Teaches How to Walk Correctly—Military Evolutions.

Fifty fair young damsels of the staid old Quaker city have organized themselves into a military company to emulate the Amazons in "The Queen's Make-up" and practice the military maneuvering and a feature of every modern opera. And to think of the shocked sensibilities picturing them in red trousers, for that is what they wear, scarlet blouses and trousers, with a crazy little black ballet skirt reaching only half way to the knee. The force is under the instruction of Lieut. R. W. Hamilton, who is a military adviser besides to Gov. David B. Hill.

The girls belong to the Philadelphia Ogontz seminary, says the New York Sun, and are under the military drill for several weeks. They are separated into four companies and drill twice each week. Miss Bennett, the principal of the school, has introduced this innovation to bring about a change in the carriage of the young ladies. American women walk very badly, according to her idea, possessing neither the ease characteristic of English ladies nor the inherent grace of the French women. It seems that military instruction has been introduced into several eastern schools with good effect, and the Quaker misses are making wonderful advancement in the art of taking an attractive stride since they learned to right about face with their "heels together, chests well up, eyes straight ahead, and arms hanging naturally at the side."

New Granada's Ink Plants.

In New Granada grows a plant which is locally known as the "ink plant," and scientifically as coriaria thymifolia.

Its juice serves, without the slightest preparation, as ink.



## THE GAZETTE.

THE OFFICIAL CITY PAPER.

AVERAGE CIRCULATION OF DAILY AND WEEKLY \$900.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

Take your family and go up to River-view Park Sunday afternoon, enjoy the lovely views and charming air. You will come back better men, better women, better children. Note that we spell better with a big "B."

Yours very truly,  
Geo. L. & Sarah H. Jarrington,  
Dec. 28th, 1889.

**WOMEN WANTED BY MARZUFF & CO.** To examine the line of front lace patent leather tip shoes, now on sale by Brown Bros., at the extremely low price of \$3. The style and wear is equal to any \$4 shoe. Don't fail to examine them before buying.

Lost—A lady's pocket book, containing railroad ticket, cards, and some money. The finder will please leave at this office and get reward.

Men's rubbers at Brown Bros. only 50 cents. Heavy weight, wear like iron. Don't pay any more.

**Everybody Likes Good Food.** and everybody says that the Rising Sun, Fancy Patent and Golden Wedding have no superior. These choice brands are handled by:

Carle & Wilcox,  
F. W. Christman,  
Fred Van Kirk,  
Tarrant & Osgood,  
Grubb Bros.,  
G. W. Kelly & Co.,  
A. D. Sanborn & Co.,  
C. O. Bennett,  
John H. Myers,  
John H. Jones,  
Ball & Bates,  
Dutton & Son,  
Stanton & Son,  
August Lutz,  
A. Rider,  
C. E. Brown,  
O. P. Bronson,  
W. P. Barrell,  
A. O. Mungler,  
J. O. Fredendall,  
W. T. Van Kirk,  
F. M. Hubbard,  
Costello & Riley.

Call for Rising Sun and Golden Wedding and take no other.

Afternoon, tea, fairy biscuit, Cambridge salt, and other fine crackers for parties, callers, etc., etc. DENNISTON.

Try a pair of the ladies' dangle kid shoes sold by Brown Bros. at \$2.40, and convince yourself that it pays to trade at a cash store. You will find them just as good as you are paying \$3 for. They are made in opera and common sense styles, and are worth from A to E.

Buy the genuine Douglas Patent Shoes, sold only by Brown Bros.

We are not making much noise but we get there just the same; for people will have the best tea and coffee, and they are buying it of Cove Van Kirk at the China Tea Store.

Almeria grapes, Florida oranges at Denniston's.

On the 10c. counter at Wheelock's: Chamomile flower cleansers, hammers, six kinds egg beater, tracing wheels, purses, monkey wrenches, egg boilers. Magnificent pictures finely framed at Denniston's book store.

Try our choice 40 and 50 cent tea and our fresh roasted coffees, and you will use no other, at Cove Van Kirk's, the old reliable China Tea Store.

Handsome bonbon boxes for New Years. DENNISTON.

Three pounds Extra O. G. Java coffee for \$1.00 at the China Tea Store.

No such a stock of cloaks in the north-west as we are now showing. ARCHIE REID.

Home made comfortables, well made hand tied, good quality, pure cotton filled, large size. We have them. J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

Money to loan by D. Conger.

You could hardly think of buying a new cloak before looking over the largest stock in town at our store. J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

We show all the latest styles in cloaks. ARCHIE REID.

Elegant holiday slippers at Brown Bros. Cash Shoe Store. Chenille embroidered, only 95c.

Sweet Florida oranges 15 cents per dozen at Grubb Bros.

Bergains in blankets. J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

A fresh supply of candies for New Years at Denniston's.

Our cloak sales so far away ahead of former seasons. ARCHIE REID.

Headquarters for all the latest novelties in fancy work, wedding and holiday presents, for plain and fancy yarns, the most complete line of toys in the city are at Spoon & Snyder's.

Beginning Saturday and during the holiday week Grubb Bros. will give each purchaser of our celebrated 50 cent tea one dozen of sweet Florida oranges.

The greatest line of cloaks in the country is one we show. ARCHIE REID.

Get your exterior diaries for 1890 at Sutherland's book store.

The celebrated 5A horse blankets and a large lot of other styles are offering at reduced prices. J. M. BOSTWICK & SONS.

CLOAKS—We show them by the car load. ARCHIE REID.

Ladies clean your kid gloves with Mother's Glove cleaner, for sale only at Burns & Boland's dry goods store.

**FOR SALE CHEAP.** If taken now, new house and six acres of land on corner of Milton Avenue and Elida streets. In fine shape to sell in sore or half acre lots. D. CONGER.

—1,000 pounds of choice mixed candies at Grubb Bros., two pounds for twenty-five cents.

The largest and best assortment of family and teacher's bibles at Sutherland's book store.

## SHIRPLETS.

—Cream cheese a specialty at Fred Van Kirk's.

—N. O. W. club at the Army New Year's eve.

—E. M. Poyer, of Stoughton, was at the Grand yesterday.

—Mr. C. A. Pratt and wife of White-water, are at the Park hotel.

—Three tramps got sixty days each in the municipal court this morning.

—Mr. Burns Hoverson, of Stoughton, is in the city—registered at the Grand hotel.

—Mrs. D. W. Wats is entertaining her sister, Mrs. L. A. Torrens, of Toledo, Ohio.

—Mr. [Obs. Bradley and wife, of Rockford, are registered at the Grand hotel.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carter, of Milwaukee, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Johnson.

—Miss Lizzie Harris went to Milwaukee this morning to visit Mrs. Rush D. Simmons.

—Dancing school was held at the armory this afternoon. There was a full attendance.

—Mr. M. Samuels is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Schram, at her home 102 Linn street.

—City Marshal George Spangler, of Edgerton, and O. F. North, of Beloit, are in the city to-day.

—Mr. George Helmboldt, justice of the peace, of Orlinville, was at the court house on business to-day.

—Mr. A. W. Stillwell, of Kansas, is visiting relatives and friends in the city. Mr. Stillwell was at the Orlinville.

—Mr. S. O. Osgood, of Orlinville, this county, vice G. E. Helmboldt removed.

—Everything is quiet in the circuit court to-day. They are taking a rest after grinding out divorces for a day or two.

—O. C. Williams, of Whitewater, is registered at the Park hotel. Mr. Williams is the instructor of the dancing school class.

—Mr. B. J. Wagner formerly a resident of Janesville, but now in the carriage business at Perry, N. Y., is in the city stopping at the Park.

—Chief Engineer Blunk has received a note from E. B. Preston & Co., Chicago, stating that the new hook and ladder truck will be ready to ship some time next week.

—The Concordia Society will give a New Year's party at Concordia hall Tuesday evening, Dec. 31. Tickets, 50 cents. A good time is promised to all who attend.

—The N. O. W. Club will give one of their very popular parties at the Army New Year's evening, December 31st. Kent & Fay's orchestra will play, and all who attend will have a jolly time.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Evans are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. George Skiles, of Milwaukee. Mr. Skiles is a member of the firm of Carpenter, Underwood & Co., crocker manufacturers of Milwaukee.

—Fancy "Albany duckweed" flour and a pure maple syrup, at Fred Van Kirk's.

—The Sunday school children connected with the Baptist church had a very pleasant time last evening, a supper being served for their benefit in the church parlors. The scene was enlivened by singing by the children.

—Now that the year is closing you had better take down that dust covered diary which you began on the first of last January, and read over the few entries you made in it. They will strike you as being either very funny or very pathetic.

—The members of Janesville Council, National Union, are requested to meet at E. J. Kent's store, on South River street Monday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. This is the last call. Every member who values his membership should be present.

—Fred Van Kirk's tea prizes are "winners." Go and get one.

—Mr. B. Hayner, of Albany, spent Christmas at home and returned to Albany to-day. Mr. Hayner is associated with Mr. F. O. Brewer, of that place, in a lively and feed stable. "Bert's" many friends in the city will wish him success in his new business.

—A complete line of fruits, nuts, candies, etc., cheap at Fred Van Kirk's.

—The W. O. T. U. will hold a meeting in the lecture room of the Court Street M. E. church at 8 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Services in commemoration of the Crusade will be held, and an address by Mrs. Eaton. Both gentlemen and ladies are invited to come.

—Articles of incorporation of the American Heating Company, of Beloit, were filed with Register of Deeds O. L. Valentine, yesterday. The capital stock is \$300,000.00. The incorporators are George A. Houston, Wm. H. Wheeler, and O. C. Keeler. The object of the company is to manufacture all kinds of heating apparatus.

—Last evening Marshal Hogan arrested Tim Lynch, charged with being an accomplice of Cantwell in burglarizing cars, etc. At the jail last evening several keys, railroad punches, and Conductor McCaffrey's badge was found on his person. He had admitted that he burglarized a house at Afton recently, and threw the booty in the river, fearing he would be apprehended.

—Owing to the large call for tickets for Mr. Rowland's address to men tomorrow afternoon, the supply provided is exhausted, except a few left at J. L. Ford's and Stearns & Baker's. Each ticket issued, however, entitles the bearer to bring his friends; so that while the tickets will be taken up at the door, no one who is unable to procure one need fear being turned away.

—Chautauque Circle will meet Monday evening, December 30th; quotations from favorite authors. Let each member provide herself with some Christmas device for exchange. Last half of questions in the Chautauque for December. Three original papers on the programme. Be prompt—7:20 p. m.

—Yesterday Hon. Andrew Barless, of the town of Harmony, met with a painful accident. He was running a circular saw, when by some chance his hand came in contact with the saw, inflicting a deep cut over the back of his hand, and opening one of the joints so that his first finger came near being severed. His injured hand will lay him up for some time.

—Hon. and Mrs. Alex. Graham gave a reception last night in honor of the visit of their son, Mr. W. R. Graham, of Des Moines, Iowa, and their daughter,

Mrs. Cook, of Chicago. There was a large party present, and the guests greatly enjoyed their hospitality, and took pleasure in meeting Mr. Graham and Mrs. Cook.

—John Manning, for electric light fame, has just purchased an elegant Kimball & Co. upright piano. The case is of French walnut and is one of the best ever sold in this city. It was purchased of D. D. Wilson, the old and reliable music dealer of our city. Persons who contemplate purchasing an instrument of any kind will do well to call on him and see his stock and get prices. Rooms in Court street block.

—A few days ago Johnnie Urban, of Rock Prairie, had a very peculiar accident befall him, which may eventually cost him the loss of one of his eyes. Finding an old carriage he got this little brother to turn the grind-stone while he ground on the carriage. The carriage exploded, a piece penetrating the left eye ball causing a severe laceration. One of his hands and his fingers were badly torn and lacerated. His eyeball is badly torn and he may lose sight in it. His little brother was slightly injured.

—I have made arrangements by which I shall hereafter control the best house in the city. Having this under my care and buying all my funeral supplies outside of the combination, I shall be able to furnish everything in the undertaking line at the lowest possible price. Until further notice I shall furnish the use of the hearse and minister's carriage free to all my patrons, within the city, and at greatly reduced prices in the country. I will prepare and take charge of all funerals entrusted to my care, giving my personal attention. Prices and satisfaction guaranteed. W. H. ASHCRAFT.

—A large number from abroad attended the Traveling Men's ball last evening. Among them were Dr. and Mrs. Twigg, of Chicago; Frank L. Smith and Richard McKay, of Chicago; Geo. Skiles and wife, O. A. Carter and wife, of Milwaukee; Miss Belle Drake, of Orlinville; L. P. Clarke and wife, O. B. Osborn, of Dodgeville; Will York, W. McCummins, George Beard and wife, M. S. Randolph, Will Gordon, Perry McCummins, B. Lott, Miss Belle Chase, Milwaukee, and Miss Laura Baker and Miss Gertrude Pickett, of Chicago.

—Mr. J. Randall Brown, the mind reader, will give a most extraordinary exhibition of his remarkable powers at his entertainment on to-morrow night. A test that for stranger gets surprised as anything of the kind ever before attempted. He will allow the audience to select a prominent gentleman, with whose collusion would be impossible, and by means of an insulated copper wire extending from the stage of the opera house to the Myers home he will establish communication with the gentleman who will be at the hotel, holding the wire, and himself on the stage holding the other end of the wire, and while the subject thinks of any number or any sentence, Mr. Brown will write the number or sentence thought of on a blackboard on the opera house stage.

—Tuesday was Mrs. Otto Knapp's birthday, and a number of ladies of the Daughters of Rebecca planned a surprise for her. They marched to her home No. 159 East Milwaukee street, and carried everything by storm. Refreshments were served, and in the course of the evening, Mrs. S. B. Kenyon, with a neat speech, presented Mrs. Knapp with an elegant hanging lamp with compliments of the ladies present. They had a jolly good time until midnight.

Friday some of Mrs. Knapp's German friends, also surprised her. They came to her house unexpectedly, and again she was in the hands of her friends. They presented her with a very handsome set of silver knives and forks. All who were present on both occasions will say that they had a most delightful time.

—The celebrated "Banana" hams and breakfast bacon, only at Fred Van Kirk's.

—The National Magazine for January announces two new and valuable departments: "Biblical Literature" and "Pedagogy"—with Rev. J. C. Quinn, Ph.D., and J. B. Mills, A. M., president of Western college, as editors. Agricultural readers will be especially interested in the new "Institute of Agriculture," described in this number—a part of the University Extension System of the National University of Chicago, whose non-resident or correspondence undergraduate and post-graduate courses have met with such favor. Other articles are by Prof. E. A. Birge, of the university of Wisconsin, and eminent specialists. Published at 147 Third Street, Chicago, Ill. Subscription, \$1.00 per year. Sample copy, 10 cents. Three cash prizes of fifty dollars each for the best essays on "Our Common Schools," "Study of the Bible," "How to Keep Young Men on the Farm," are announced.

—A copy of the Longmont Ledger, published at Longmont, Colorado, under date of December 13th, contains an obituary notice of James P. Warner, his death occurring in that city on December 7th. Mr. Warner was in the 71st year of his age. When a young man he resided in Janesville for several years, going from here to New Orleans, where he resided for twenty-three years. He then became a resident of Marong, Ia., and for the last eight years had resided in Longmont, Colorado. He became somewhat disabled by a fall while a resident of New Orleans, from the effects of which he never recovered. Deceased was an uncle of Mrs. Willis Mills, of this city, and was a man possessed of a warm and generous heart, and drew about him many friends.

—Mr. J. Randall Brown, the famous mind reader who is to appear in one of his extraordinary scenes at Lippin's Opera House on to-morrow (Sunday) evening, has been retained as an expert witness in the case of the celebrated Hurley forty-thousand dollar bank robbery.

Mr. Brown expressed by his testimony to prove the young cashier Perrin innocent and it would seem from what Mr. Brown has shown himself capable of doing that he will have no trouble at least in reading the mind of Baker, and ascertaining whether or not he ever knew the combination, and if he does not know the combination, it will go far toward clearing Perrin. The case is one of exceeding great interest and will be watched by everybody, to see what the outcome may be.

## COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS.

They Assemble in Large Numbers at the Armory.

## ANNUAL BANQUET &amp; BALL.

A Gathering of Much Sociability—The Annual Election of Officers.

The annual banquet and ball of the Janesville Commercial Travelers' Association was held last evening at the Armory, and was an occasion of much pleasure and enjoyment. There were nearly five hundred ladies and gentlemen present, and so perfect had the details of the party been arranged that everything passed off in perfect harmony, and sociability reigned supreme on every hand. The exercises were commenced at eight o'clock, at which time President C. B. Evans called the assembly to order and announced a musical selection by the Tomaso Mandolin Quartette—two mandolins and two guitars. The music was superb and was undoubtedly the finest rendered of any quartette music ever listened to in Janesville. They received a hearty encore, and in response rendered another selection equally as fine as the first, receiving long and loud applause.

Following this came a song by the male quartette—Messrs. E. O. Kimberley, O. N. Van Kirk, George G. Paris and Clarence L. Clark—their piece being "A Warrior's Beld." This was admirably rendered and in response to an encore they sang as sweetly "The Owl and the Pussy Cat." Mrs. J. F. Sweeney pianist. Again the Mandolin Quartette appeared, so gently did they manipulate their instruments, that all insisted on their again responding to an encore. The mandolins were the drawing card for the public favor all the evening.

Schubert's "Serenade" was rendered by the male quartette, and they were compelled to respond to an encore. For this the quartette was prepared, having a very cleverly written vocal song, for this special occasion. The song was as follows:—

How dear to our hearts is that long winded talker.

Who over our meetings so often presides;

A wonderful speaker, you bet he's a corker,

And often in a frenzy his oratory glides.

The ladies are charmed by his artistic touches,

The boys are elated to hear him decant,

And the "wind-chinches" better keep out of his clutches.

When President Evans commenced to rant,

That long-winded talker, that high-minded corker,

That wonderful talker with voice all state,

There's our baldheaded friend in a silent pose.

In spite of his charms he is nothing to us;

So together we chant in a way that's emphatic

That orator Evans can wait over bliss;

Sure the top of his pate is as bare as a table,

And on his feet in the summer time crawl,

And he brags them off just whenever he's able.

Though often they better him late in the fall,

This bald-headed bumper, this hairless old crammer,

This wide-eyed slinger right here at the ball,

But worse than this bald-headed duffer is Becker.

When far from Wisconsin he merrily flies,

As a seller of shoes he's a terrible wretch,

And he wastes the time to offer his lies.

There's our friend McNamara an illiterate creature,

So proper and neat, so demure and an fait,

They say he's been taken so oft for a preacher

That ladies to see him go out of their way.

O the "rule and the preacher," what links they could trace here,

But of course here at home they having nothing to say.

How dear to our hearts is this last chance you give us

To sing you the history of one drummer more—

His name, ah, that's a task to guess when you've heard us

Relate all his virtues you've long known before;

Some wonder why this man is reckoned a traveler.

When here in our midst he doth quietly dwell—

He's a runner from "back," just said David Conger.

Mr. Alderman Baker can't run pretty well.

The best part of the local hit was on Al. Baker, he being the censor to whom the verses had been submitted for approval previous to the banquet. His consent was obtained, and then the last stanza was added unbeknownst to him.

Everyone was more than delighted and pleased with the musical treat, and the kindest expressions were heard on every hand, especially towards the Mandolin Quartette.

With the local song the entertainment ended, and the floor was cleared for dancing. Smith and Anderson's orchestra took their places on the platform, and struck up the grand march.

It was led by Miss Kittie Ford, and Mr. A. P. Davies, and some of the movements were quite elaborate. There was a wide diversity of costumes, some appearing in full dress gowns, and others in plain sack coats. The ladies, too, were attired in a variety of costumes, some being full dress, and others of plainer cut. Everybody seemed to be acquainted with everybody else, and all had a most delightful time. Between dances the jolly "drummers" played cards, smoked, and swapped reminiscences of their life on the road.

The Mandolin Quartette, led by Sig Tomaso himself, discoursed delightful music. This quartette consists of two guitars and two mandolins. The member of the organization are eleven in number. It is the intention of the traveling men to have the entire orchestra for their next party.

The decorations were elaborate. All the prominent members of the association had some take-off, representing their line of trade on exhibition.

Above the stage was a cartoon representing President Evans, with a grip all most as large as himself, labeled "Carpenter, Underwood & Co." The picture bore the inscription, "Good Evans," and attracted a good deal of attention.

It was ornamented with crackers, etc., from the establishment of Carpenter, Underwood & Co., of which firm Mr. Evans is a member.

"Harry Kellar's Private Line," was the inscription over a long list of gas fixtures and glassware, gracefully draped from the wall near the entrance. The next one was a plow, that looked as though it might have turned the sod for the first tourist from "Hoid England," who came over in the Mayflower. It was labeled "The celebrated Norwegian Burdick—plow."

The next one was a string of clothes pins, brushes, mouse traps, cuspidors, and wooden ware, and was labeled,

"McNamara, loaded for sixty days." A large sheet of paper, cut full of holes, and surrounded by an old grip, and a soiled collar, was labeled "Charlie Yates porous plaster." Hanson's "Easy Chair" was the label on a dilapidated piece of furniture hung from the gallery rail. "Mart" says that it was not made at the factory, but was imported from Africa. The "Leaves" of L. J. Murphy were also displayed but no one seemed to want to buy them. It was "busted" old oilcloth grip labeled "Trade a little flat." "Hove" also had a prominent place.

"George Beard, Beloit, Goods by photograph" was the sign attached to a string of whisky bottles and jugs, corn starch and dried fish. A man was supposed to eat a piece of halibut, and quench his thirst at the jug, however, was empty. B. F. Cressett was the next victim. Two sacks of flour labeled, "Buckwheat Biscuits"—"B. M. McCutcheon's Whitewater size" was the sign on an enormous wooden sock tied with a red garter. A. D. Nott, of the Janesville Machine Company, was represented by an open book, the two pages bearing the following entries:

Dec. 20—Not at home.

Dec. 21—Good Prospects.

Dec. 22—Only—Harrow.....\$9.00

Dec. 23—Too warm.

Dec. 24—Fair day.

Dec. 25—Spring order.

Dec. 26—Extra sold.....40

Total.....\$20.00

Dec. 27—Board and sundries.....\$1.00

Dec. 28—Ditto and sundries.....4.00

Dec. 29—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 30—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 31—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 32—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 33—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 34—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 35—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 36—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 37—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 38—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 39—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 40—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 41—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 42—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 43—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 44—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 45—Ditto and sundries.....3.00

Dec. 46—Ditto and sundries.....3.00